

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

SILVER SPRING, MARYLAND

ORDER NO. 20,255

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served June 22, 2023

GAMALELDIN FARID FADEL, WMATC)
No. 3622, Investigation of)
Violation of Order No. 20,067 and)
Regulation No. 64-04)

Case No. MP-2023-037

The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Regulation Compact¹ authorizes the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission (WMATC) to issue a certificate of passenger carrier authority if it finds that the proposed transportation is consistent with the public interest and that the applicant is fit, willing, and able to perform the proposed transportation properly, conform to the provisions of the Compact, and conform to the rules, regulations, and requirements of the Commission.²

The Commission may attach to the issuance of a certificate and to the exercise of the rights granted under it any term, condition, or limitation that is consistent with the public interest.³

The Commission approved the application of Gamaleldin Farid Fadel, (respondent), for a certificate of authority on February 1, 2023, in Order No. 20,067, subject to several conditions, including the condition that respondent produce a copy of the for-hire vehicle registration card for each vehicle to be operated under WMATC authority, as required by WMATC Regulation No. 64-04.⁴ As of February 27, 2023, respondent had satisfied all conditions except the for-hire plate condition. In the absence of any passenger carrier authority, respondent was unable to obtain for-hire plates for its initial WMATC vehicle, a 2019 Cadillac with VIN ending 125964.

To resolve the impasse, the Commission issued WMATC Certificate No. 3622 to respondent on February 27, 2023, subject to a vehicle-out-of-service notice and subject to the proviso that respondent obtain for-hire plates for the Cadillac and submit copies of the new registration to the Commission within 30 days or face revocation of Certificate No. 3622. As of May 8, 2023, respondent had yet to furnish proof of for-hire plates for the Cadillac.

¹ Pub. L. No. 101-505, § 1, 104 Stat. 1300 (1990), amended by Pub. L. No. 111-160, 124 Stat. 1124 (2010) (amending tit. I, art. III).

² Compact, tit. II, art. XI, § 7(a).

³ Compact, tit. II, art. XI, § 7(d).

⁴ *In re Gamaleldin Farid Fadel*, No. AP-23-010, Order No. 20,067 (Feb. 1, 2023).

Accordingly, Order No. 20,185, served May 8, 2023, gave respondent 30 days to show cause why the Commission should not revoke Certificate No. 3622 for respondent's willful failure to satisfy all conditions attached to the issuance of said certificate.

In response, respondent has produced a for-hire registration card for the 2019 Cadillac. Inasmuch as the Cadillac now has for-hire plates, respondent may place this vehicle into revenue service and we find that respondent has shown good cause for not revoking Certificate No. 3622.

Accordingly, this proceeding is hereby terminated.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION; COMMISSIONERS RICHARD AND LOTT:



Jeffrey M. Lehmann
Executive Director